

STATE CAPITOL NEWS

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(United Press Staff Correspondent)

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—A conference of representatives of various groups throughout California was called by Governor Frank F. Merriam for February 3 in an attempt to work out a state tax program acceptable to both the general electorate and the legislature.

The conference, lasting a week, will be composed of two representatives each from organizations and groups representing the agricultural, manufacturing, labor, commercial, financial, social and economic interests of the state. The various groups were asked to agree on their own delegates.

"It is my earnest hope that a body of California citizens having no official connection with the government can agree upon a program," the governor said.

Prior to calling the tax conference, Merriam had pointed out that repeal of the sales and income tax acts probably would mean that an ad valorem tax on property would be necessary.

An initiative petition calling for repeal of the sales tax already has qualified for the 1936 general election ballot, and the initiative petition asking repeal of the income tax needed only 16,000 more signatures to win a place on the ballot.

Arlin E. Stockburger, director of finance, announced a saving of \$105,000 because his department refused to accept uniform bids from major gasoline companies for 1936 gasoline supplies.

Stockburger said the bids showed a generally uniform increase from 10 to 13 cents a gallon. A 9-cent bid for part of the supply was accepted from an independent concern and one of the majors agreed to sell for a top of 10 cents a gallon.

Indemnity claims totaling \$568,450 due California dairymen under the federal bovine tuberculosis eradication program and held up since October 25 have been ordered paid by federal officials. The claims were rejected because of technical requirements which since have been ironed out by agricultural representatives.

Harold Deems, ex-newspaperman and more recently in charge of the state department of motor vehicle branch office in Long Beach, was named as registrar of motor vehicles effective January 1. Russell Bevans, acting registrar, failed to qualify under recent civil service examinations.

Assemblyman Henry P. Meehan, Oakland believes that a state operated lottery would net the state \$20,000,000 a year and would be a good method of financing old age pensions. He proposes that such a proposal be submitted to a vote of the people by means of an initiative petition which he hopes to qualify for the 1936 general election ballot. The proposition was defeated by the 1936 legislature.

Cesar Spagnolia, janitor at the Southern Pacific station will leave on Friday for San Francisco to enter the Southern Pacific Hospital for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Leitch and Mrs. Bertha Brown spent Christmas in Fresno.

TURK HELPS HAILE



Wehbi Pasha, who was one of the outstanding military leaders of the Turkish empire during the World war, is now in command of the trained warriors of Ethiopia on the Somali frontier. He is a master of tactics and strategy.

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TIME TO RENEW CAR LICENSES

Registration period for 1936
Will Open in State on Jan-
uary 2. Value and License
Fees Must Be Paid.

Time to renew automobile registration and obtain 1936 plates is close at hand for California motorists. The renewal period opens on January 2nd.

Important facts concerning the renewal procedure are summarized as follows:

Car owners should be careful not to mislay or destroy postcard notices that have been mailed by the department of motor vehicles telling the amount of the new additional license fee based on car value. These notices should be carefully preserved so as to be able to present them in applying for 1936 plates.

The new fee is at the rate of \$1.75 per \$100 of valuation and is in addition to the regular \$3 registration fee.

The deadline for renewal is January 30th, when a delinquent penalty adding 100 per cent to the new fee, doubling it, becomes effective.

Registration certificates for 1935, stamped by the assessor to show current personal property tax payment, also must be presented when applying for renewal of registration. These taxes will hereafter be replaced by the new additional license fee.

All local residents are requested to call at the California Highway Patrol office at the west end of town to pay their license fee and procure their new plates. It is unnecessary for them to make application to Sacramento.

Veteran exemptions will also be taken care of at the Patrol office. Veterans will be required to present their honorable discharges or certified copies thereof and swear to an affidavit in reference to their service. These affidavits will not be available until January 2 and can be taken care of at the time the 1936 licenses are applied for. There will be no exemption on the regular three dollar registration fee.

If there are any errors in the postcard notices sent out by the department of motor vehicles, adjustment on all claims and errors will be taken care of locally at the time the license plate application is made.

Motor car owners who have not received postcard notices will be permitted to make their applications and should present their 1935 registration certificates with the current taxes cleared by the assessor and their cars will be valued and rated in the local office.

DRUG STORE TO BE REMODELED

E. L. Loynd, owner of Loynd's Truckee Drug is completing arrangements for the remodeling of his drug store. The remodeling will be started in March and will be in readiness for the summer business.

Mr. Loynd will eliminate all his present show cases and wall cases and will install the latest drug store equipment. A new prescription room will also be installed. When all the new fixtures are installed, he will have one of the outstanding drug stores in northern California.

Since purchasing the drug store in 1931, Mr. Loynd has made many changes in the store, the installation of his present soda fountain was one of the outstanding improvements. The soda fountain will be the only equipment that will remain unchanged in the remodeling plans.

Last summer Mr. Loynd opened a branch store at Brockway and had a very successful season and next summer he will open a store at Homewood to care for the needs of the summer people in that district.

Tony Besio, a student at Sacramento Junior College is spending the Christmas vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Besio.

Miss Grace Cooper of Turlock is a houseguest at the Wm. Englehart home.

"COUNTRY BEYOND" TO BE FILMED HERE

"Buck" Famous Dog Star of "Call of The Wild" and Rochelle Hudson to Be Stars of Picture. Company of Sixty to Arrive January 6. Building of Sets at Donner Lake and on Truckee River to Start At Once. Truckee Motion Picture Association to Handle Business Arrangements.

Announcement has been made by the Truckee Motion Picture Association that they have completed arrangements with the Fox Twentieth Century Co. for the filming of their new picture "The Country Beyond" in this vicinity. It is expected that work will be started on or about January 6th weather conditions permitting.

The Truckee Motion Picture Association was recently organized with the object of interesting motion picture companies in again using this region for snow scenes, as had been done in the years past. Karl Kielhofer, manager, of the association was sent to Los Angeles several weeks ago to make the necessary contacts with the motion picture companies. He was instrumental in having Fox Twentieth Century Co. come to Truckee and look over locations over before making their final decision, although it was practically decided that other locations would be used.

Last week Eugene Forde, director R. E. Goux, business manager and Mr. Brown, art director from the Fox Twentieth Century Co. came to Truckee and were here for four days looking the country over. They were well satisfied with the locations shown them by Mr. Kielhofer, and today they have confirmed their decision to come to Truckee and vicinity for the shooting of the snow scenes.

"The Country Beyond" is a sequel to the "Call of the Wild" and will feature the St. Bernard dog "Buck" who played such a prominent part in this picture. The "Call of the Wild" received such favorable reception from the movie fans that it was decided to use "Buck" as the star in the "Country Beyond." "The Country Beyond" is a James Oliver Curwood story and the locale is in Canada.

Rochelle Hudson has been selected to play the lead in this picture and the man who will play opposite her has not as yet been released.

Through the efforts of the Truckee Motion Picture Association locations have been secured for the motion picture company on the Truckee River, flats in the vicinity of Truckee and the West home at Donner Lake will be used.

It is expected there will be a company of sixty people engaged in the making of this picture and it will take about fifteen days to complete the work.

Dog teams will play a prominent part in the picture and the dog teams owned by Harry Johanson of Lake Tahoe will be used.

The Truckee Motion Picture Association will have the handling of all business arrangements for the motion picture company while they are here. This service is given free to the motion picture companies. A drive has been made in the past week to register the business people of the community and all those who have registered with the association will be given preference when their services are required.

EDITORIAL

The recent report of the dynamiting of trout in the Truckee River brings forcefully to our attention the urgent need for better protection of the fish and game of this District.

A few years ago, when at the demand of the Fish and Game Commission, the cost of fishing and hunting licenses were doubled, one of the main reasons advanced was the need for more wardens to insure better protection to the fish and game throughout the State.

For sometime now this District has been without a regular game warden and it leads one to wonder just what becomes of the sportsmen's license money.

The Truckee River, long known as one of the finest trout streams in California, is rapidly losing its reputation under the plans followed by the Commission.

For the past two years the Truckee River Sportsmens Association at an expense of several hundreds of dollars to their members, have fed and reared over 250,000 trout and released them into the Truckee River. The least that could be expected is that the Commission would provide a reasonable amount of protection.

It is high time the sportsmen of the state demanded a larger share in the question of who is to interpret and enforce the fish and game laws. Less politics and more co operation with the sportsmen would help to solve some of the difficulties.

Christmas Tree Lighted On Park Grounds

The gaily lighted Christmas tree on the Winter Sports Park was turned on Saturday night for the winter sports season, and makes a most attractive picture overlooking the town. The tree is plainly visible for many miles when entering the town from the east and can be seen from some points on the Summit highway. The pavilion and the scaffolding on the park grounds are also lighted and many favorable comments are made by the traveling public.

STATE EMPLOYEES TO PAY INCOME TAX

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—Employees of California state, county and municipal governments soon will join the ranks of those individuals

who pay income tax. Franchise Tax Commissioner Charles J. McColgan announced.

Such workers are exempt under the federal income tax law, but are required to pay the new state levy. The rate assessed by the state is one-fourth that of the federal levy.

Net incomes over \$1,000 for single persons and \$2,500 for married persons are taxable under the state law.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. James Holden and son Bob, former owners of the Sierra Sun, will be interested to hear that they have sold their newspaper in Mississippi and will purchase a paper in Baltimore, Md., which their son will edit. Bob has just returned from a fifteen months trip around the world on a British freighter.

Send the Sierra Sun — better than a letter!

FIRST SNOW QUEEN



To Theresa Sham of Stowe, Vt., goes the honor of being the first young woman to be elected a snow queen this winter in the United States. She was given the title at a carnival of the Mount Mansfield Ski club.

KNEIS CHAIRMAN OF BALL COMMITTEE

Dan Kneis of Hobart Mills will be the chairman this year of the Birthday Ball for the President to be held on January 30th.

Mr. Kneis will have on his committee, representatives from the fraternal orders and service clubs of the community. Each organization will have one representative on this committee.

The purpose of the Birthday Ball of the President is to create, through the direct help of the citizens of our country, funds with which to help victims of Infantile Paralysis and support research efforts to wipe out the disease itself.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt has again consented to lend his birthday, January 30th, 1936, for another nation wide series of Birthday Balls for the benefit of these Infantile Paralysis sufferers.

The President has approved the suggestion that 70% of the proceeds raised by each local Birthday Ball be retained in the community to be disbursed to local or adjacent orthopedic hospitals, or for the treatment of local Infantile Paralysis cripples, as each local committee decides. This allotment was first made last year; the plan worked well and has been approved throughout the country. Thirty per cent of the proceeds will be turned over to the National Committee for delivery to the President to be presented by him to the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation for the continuation and extension of its part in the National fight against Infantile Paralysis.

The President's Ball is the rallying point for all those who wish to help stamp out infantile paralysis. The need of continued effort in the fight against this disease is greater than ever, and once more the call is made to our fellow countrymen to participate in this humanitarian work, which for the past two years they have aided so generously and with such outstanding credit to our nation.

Eagles To Sponsor New Years Eve Dance

Plans are nearing completion for a gala night when the Truckee Aerie, Order of Eagles, will sponsor the New Years Eve dance. Music for the dancing will be furnished by the Eagles Rhythm Makers of Sparks. The Eagles have sponsored many dances in the past, and from the advance sale of tickets, a good attendance is assured. Many novelty features will be introduced during the evening.

Mrs. Holland Passes Away In Ogden

Word has been received in town of the death of Mrs. Lorraine Holland, wife of Clark Holland, a former Standard Oil Co. employee in town.

Mrs. Holland left Truckee in October for Ogden for a visit with her parents on account of poor health. Besides her husband who is now employed in San Jose, she leaves a son Jimmie.

R. C. Hornberger of Oakland is spending the Christmas holiday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Englehart.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Gregory and son are spending the Christmas holiday in Oakland with relatives.

HIGHWAY DEPT. READY FOR WINTER

Winter Program Outlined for Forty-Two Counties. \$20,000 Allotted for Sanding Frosty and Icy Sections of Pavement.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—California's division of highways is all set for its annual bout with Old Man Winter, including preparations to keep 4,000 miles of highway open in areas frequented by heavy snow storms.

Despite the state's reputation for balmy winter weather, 42 of the 58 counties are in the snow zone and highway officials must be prepared to remove some 11,000,000 cubic yards of snow from arterials without interrupting the regular flow of traffic.

"The total cost of snow removal last year was \$346,000, or an average of six-tenths of one cent per vehicle mile," a report stated. "This cost is but one-half of what the motorist returns from the gasoline tax. When one considers the tying up of the road mileage, which costs an average of \$15,000 a mile, even for a period of 60 days, it will be seen that the interest charges at 4 per cent will alone almost justify the cost of removal."

Extent of the operations necessary to keep the roads open in snow areas was seen in the division report showing that equipment necessary for the winter operations included 139 trucks, 29 track'ors, 145 snow plows of various types and 22 graders.

In addition to actual snow removal, the division, according to T. H. Dennis, state maintenance engineer, also erects snow fences and plants protective lines of trees and shrubs in favorable locations.

"Efforts toward ice prevention and removal are confined principally to sanding frosty or icy sections of pavement to insure traction for motor vehicles," Dennis said.

"Sand mixed with salt, in the proportion of about 10 pounds of salt to each cubic yard, is stockpiled in shelters at convenient locations prior to the winter season. During the present season \$20,000 has been allocated for this purpose."

Whenever there are icy conditions, motorists are not permitted to enter the control area unless the vehicles are equipped with skid chains. Likewise, during periods when snow is falling heavily or there is a strong wind, with consequent low visibility and danger of temporary blockade, traffic is held up entirely until conditions are favorable for safe passage.

This control is a part of the routine work on the Donner Summit section of U. S. 40 and between Bishop and Bridgeport on State Route 23. Controls are placed in operation at other points as the need arises.

One of the greatest problems in recreational areas where snow sports are held is the lack of parking space. As a result when sudden storms occur, snow equipment often blocked by locked cars parked along the roadway. This condition might easily jeopardize the safety of all motorists using this road.



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EDITORIALS

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

The slate is wiped clean, now, and all of us may start afresh. A new year is dawning, and we are bidding the bells, in the immortal words of Tennyson, to "ring out the old, ring in the new."

And in no year, in no year since recovery began, have we been able to so joyously, so confidently say to our fellow man, "Happy New Year!"

There are momentous issues stirring in the world today. What the coming year will bring us no man can say, but all of us are certain of one thing: Times will be better in 1936. There is no question of that.

As to business conditions, we have the word of Leonard P. Ayers, one of the few economists who predicted the crash in 1929, that things will go on getting better through the coming year. He estimates the improvement at anywhere from eight to twelve per cent.

Twelve months ago today we didn't know that farm incomes would be 25 per cent better in the year to come, that stocks would be 50 per cent higher, that tax receipts of the State of California would be up some 20 per cent.

California faced great hardships a year ago. The biggest budget in history had to be met. Today State finances are still in something of a muddle. But they are in so much less of a muddle than they were then!

Internationally, things have happened that were never dreamed of in years past. The world has declared itself for peace. And if the people have anything to say about it, there will be peace in 1936 and thereafter.

Every way you look at it on this, the dawn of a new year, California and the Nation are headed for big things in 1936.

One can mean it, then, when he says this year, "and a happy New Year!"

COMMENTS FROM CALIFORNIA NEWSPAPERS

By United Press

NO MORE DOLE

Exit of the dole, though viewed as an encouraging step, holds little promise of lessening relief burdens, in the opinion of many California editors.

Return of some 4,000,000 unemployables to county and city relief rolls, it was pointed out, was a matter of grave concern to local governments already hard-pressed financially.

"Latest accounting of the relief situation in California," notes the Colusa Sun-Herald, "indicates that the dole is on way out. For many moons no better news has come to us (and that means all of us) who find the word 'dole' exceedingly disagreeable. Reports of a threatened relief shortage had the state jittery for a while, but this worry has passed when assurance came that we have the means to continue taking care of the unemployed."

Return of the unemployables means, according to the Turlock Journal, "quite a problem will be faced in connection with this in many states, California included. The state already is showing a deficit of alarming proportions, and as these unfortunates must be tided, the money will be spent and the deficit enlarged. Counties and cities will be called upon to share in the expense, and many of these are already spending beyond their incomes, and practically none have budgeted funds for this new expense."

"At the same time we seem to have come to the end of 'direct relief,' remarks the Mail of Woodland, 'we are cheerfully informed that the peak of spending is over and that it won't be long now until we can talk about balancing the budget. This ought to bring comfort to the hearts of a great many Americans who have been viewing our mounting national debt with considerable alarm. In the meantime, it is good to know that more than 3,000,000 persons are busy on 'useful public works. It is to be hoped that these useful works do not include counting the shade trees and training flea circuses in various parts of the country.'"

Defending so-called "boondoggling" activities, however, the Los Angeles Post-Record comments that "recently it was cited as a rare example of squanderlust that some of the Work Relief money was being spent in dolling up some of the unemployed; giving them haircuts and shaves. There is no use for any New Dealer to try and evade or avoid that issue. We might as well admit that it is true. The discovery, which will surprise the Republican satirists, was made that among the unemployed were about the same proportion of barbers as those of other vocations. When the announcement was made that nobody was to starve in this country, the president neglected to except barbers. Apparently a barber out of a job, and with no resources and perhaps a

Gran'pa Ir vites Some of the Boys In



family to support, can get just as hungry as a jobless book-keeper, stevedore, or campaign orator."

"The board policy outlined by President Roosevelt," states the Bakersfield Californian, "was based on humanitarian purposes and designed to prevent suffering among the people of the nation, but unhappily for the administration, the system bogged down through incompetency and the meddling of politicians who sought to turn to their advantage the movement to prevent distress among the people. It is unfortunate that dependence was not placed in local government to care for such distress, but now that the nation has learned its lesson, let us hope that government has also."

Condemning dole recipients who refuse private employment, the Beverly Hills Citizen believes "the trouble there lies in a good part with the type of men who have filtered down to the bottom of the relief list—but not altogether. This country's social standard might not allow men to starve but it has not reached that state, we hope, where it will willingly support those who openly reject jobs."

THE CHRISTMAS SNOW PLANT

Christmas and December have been so long associated that they are old friends; but to find the evidence of Christmas in June is an exquisite experience. The Sierras of California offer that peculiar joy.

We started for camp in the mountains early in June, before the snow was off the ground. The air was light and balmy in the higher altitudes; and, along the way, the dark rich green of pine and fir contrasted sharply with the pale feathery fringes of new leaves appearing upon the shrubs which bordered the highway.

There was much to do when we arrived at the cabin, but in less than an hour the children were leading me along the shore path, most mysteriously. In fact, I was cautioned to keep my eyes closed until they said: "Ready!"

Finally the word was said and I followed their bidding. My first impression was of the brilliant, almost blinding, reflection of the late afternoon sun upon the glassy surface of the water.

And then I saw them, not one, but many. Bathed in clear radiance, they stood before me, one of the most startlingly lovely things that nature

has expressed. Rising majestically from the snow-carpeted earth were brilliant red spindles, so nearly the cousins of the hyacinth that I was tempted to name them so. Upon examination, I found that each spindle was made up of many tiny bell-like blossoms; each little red blossom, with its own delicate curling red leaf, snuggled close to the parent stem. The whole made a perfect Christmas candle.

We stood speechless. Never was there a lovelier contrast than that of the deep, rich red against the white of the last snow, nor the delicate background of feathery green willows, blending into the deeper harmony of low-hanging pine boughs. Instantly I visualized the Christmas table, a table of snowy white damask, fragrant green sprays and crimson red candles. And at last I knew why the Christmas colors are the white of the snow, the green of the pungent evergreens and the glorious red of the Sierra snow plant.

This was my introduction to that rare flower of the Sierras, that perfect blossom which rises from the melting snow and lingers on as the green grass springs.

—Christian Science Monitor.

submit a resolution going further than they wished to go, Collins and Stewart laid plans to beat him to the gun. Their resolution had the approval of Gov. Frank F. Merriam, and therefore could be assured of Edgar's support in the event Corbett should waver at the last minute and not vote for it.

However, in order not to place Edgar on the spot, the roll was called by districts. There were three "ayes" before Edgar was reached. Therefore his vote was not needed one way or the other, and he declined to vote. Had Corbett said "no" Edgar could have said "yes," so passage of the resolution was assured from the start.

Irony of the plot developed when Riley also voted for the resolution which was—designed to upset him.

Although not expressed in the resolution, the general offstage attitude of those sponsoring it seems to be something like this:

"Well, it's up to the police now. They have the power to enforce the liquor law as well as all other laws. If they want to enforce them rigidly, that is their privilege. If they wish to inspect license applicants and submit objections, they may do so and we shall consider their objections. It is not the state's duty to enforce the liquor laws, but if the police don't want to enforce the laws correctly, then we may have to step in."

It was considered doubtful whether local authorities would look upon the resolution in that light. Riley sees no change, but a continuation of buck-passing in regard to responsibility. Collins admits that the resolution provides for nothing new; that it just points out that police have the power of enforcement if they care to accept it. The resolution indirectly places responsibility on the police, but with such wordage as "to be lacking in forcefulness."

"Officially, a lot of hullabaloo over a compromise plan. Unofficially an indirect attempt to pass the buck to the police. But nothing done to tighten enforcement or improve liquor conditions," was the general opinion of observers who witnessed the meeting.

FOUR LANE APPROACH FOR BRIDGE

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—The Golden Gate bridge which will span the famous entrance to San Francisco Bay will have a four-lane approach from the north, despite all the controversy, denials, charges and counter charges which blocked four-lane advocates for months.

In capitulating to the demands of bridge enthusiasts, in the face of engineers' reports that three lanes would be sufficient to handle the flow of traffic over the span, Earl Lee Kelly, director of public works, explained:

"In deciding for four lanes, several factors have weighed heavily with me. First, the unprecedented increase in the gasoline tax makes it fairly certain that the state fund will be enhanced by probably more than \$2,000,000; secondly, I have talked with Governor Merriam and officials of the San Francisco Bay Exposition of 1938, and I am convinced that there will be a great influx of Exposition traffic. So great is this California Exposition in San Francisco that all California must cooperate to the fullest."

Arguments favoring a wide approach to offer an attractive avenue of travel for Exhibition-bound vehicles were said to have been the determining factor in persuading the state department of public works to change its original attitude and agree to construct a four-lane highway leading away from the bridge to the north.

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Politically Speaking

By GEORGE E. HELMER
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SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—

Declining to go all the way toward turning liquor enforcement over to local authorities, the state board of equalization compromised by adopting a resolution inviting police inspection of license applicants, urging police enforcement of liquor laws and promising board cooperation.

Although this failed to place responsibility as definitely as Controller Ray L. Riley and the California Allied Business Council desired, it served as a compromise between two extremes. Last June, the board approved a resolution flatly severing connections with local enforcement agencies, although members seemed to have forgotten that because during the past few days Chairman Richard E. Collins and Fred E. Stewart said they already received good cooperation from police in their districts.

A year ago, when Riley gained control of the board, there was pass-

ed a resolution turning enforcement problems over to the police, with the board retaining the power to issue and revoke licenses. That was superseded by the June resolution, which in turn joined the list of forgotten ideas when the board adopted the compromise resolution submitted by Collins during the special meeting called for the benefit of the new member, Ray L. Edgar.

The board would not approve a plan to unify enforcement on a statewide basis instead of by districts, however, despite Riley's insistence that enforcement never will work when administered by districts.

Political maneuvering at its height was exemplified at the special meeting. Scheduled to start at 10 a. m., it was postponed until 1:30 p. m. because Collins, Stewart and John C. Corbett were in a huddle in a hotel room, agreeing on a plan to forestall any program of Riley's. Assured, finally, of Corbett's support, Collins read the resolution which made practically no change in the present system. Riley objected, but the other three members paid little attention to him and Edgar, new to the game, acted as an interested spectator.

Knowing that Riley planned to

TAHOE REGION NEWS

By Swane

Local residents who have never made an inspection of the Nevada State Prison, near Carson City, would find the trip a comfortable Sunday jaunt from Tahoe, over roads that are in excellent condition and that provide an ever changing shift of scenery. Accompanied by my husband, your correspondent made the trip Monday last week. The trees fairly bristled with a heavy coating of hoar frost, and each bush, every old, dried, last summer's flower stem and shrub was resplendent in tier upon tier of fluffy, gleaming white frost, making them appear as if in full bloom. At Truckee the trees were especially beautiful and although this district is subject to extremely cold temperatures, it is not often we witness the landscape so beautiful.

Arriving at Carson we called upon Governor and Mrs. Richard Kirman and daughter Claire, who graciously extended us an invitation to luncheon which was accepted. Following an inspection of the spacious mansion, which Mrs. Kirman with the assistance of her daughter, is redecorating with rare good taste, the Governor called for us in his car, taking us out to the Nevada State Penitentiary where we were escorted through the prison and grounds by Warden William Lewis.

At the inner gates the Warden secured keys to the various doors from the gatekeeper on duty and we went on our way. Out a side door into the walled in recreation yard where cement walks and gravelled roads (surrounded by bright flowers and green lawns in summer,) appeared tidy and clean despite some remaining snow. The yard, slightly sloped, catches every ray of the sun until it sets.

To the left are the barber shop and the tailor shop where the men make their own uniforms; then comes the engine room where a hot water heating system is in constant operation; next door to that is the laundry where modern washing, drying and ironing equipment take care of the Monday wash. Then comes the infirmary where expert medical attention is always available; and on up the narrow stone steps one enters the prisoner's quarters. Off the wide hall is the mess hall containing rows of narrow tables lined with benches on beyond this is the kitchen where we next went—a half dozen men busy preparing the

four o'clock meal, and appetizing it smelled too. Cleanliness was evident everywhere.

Returning to the hall Warden Lewis produced a key of enormous size which let us into the prisoner's cell block. A double cement walk way, divided by iron bars ran past the tiers of cells. I was puzzled by the arrangement until Governor Kirman explained that the armed guard who patrols the block at night has the row of iron bars (some five or six feet distant from the cells proper) for his own protection, as he could easily be slugged on the inner passage through the prisoner's bars. The cells, all tidy, were far from bare as I had expected, many of the walls being decorated with pictures of actresses, wives, friends and families. Rugs covered the cold concrete floor and shelves held books and personal belongings. Expressing something of my surprise to Warden Lewis, he assured me that the 182 men and 3 women, now there, were accorded every privilege possible under the law. Warden Lewis, who seven months ago replaced Warden Matt Penrose, has a very human, jovial side to his necessarily stern complex, and believes that by handling the men humanely they in return will give less trouble. So far the theory has proven workable, only one man being now on bread and water in the solitary confinement of the dungeon, a dark, deep, barred hole under a massive stone prison cliff. He made the mistake of taking "french leave" not long ago under cover of darkness and although he regretted his departure two hours after he left he was afraid to turn back, lest he be shot and was captured a week later near Markleeville, tattered, half frozen and famished. His only request, the warden says, has been for "an extra loaf of bread on Christmas day." The other inmates will enjoy a turkey dinner as the prison farm, four miles distant, raises many of the commodities used on the tables, including turkeys and geese.

Another recent improvement in conditions at the prison is the little general store conducted by one of the prisoners. Cigarettes, cards, stationery, candy, gum, shaving equipment, and in fact almost anything except knives and fire arms, may be purchased and all but 10% of the profits goes to the man who runs the store, the amount held out going toward the recreation fund. Many of the prisoners have regular incomes from pensions and other sources.

Warden Lewis has also had the floor above the auto plate factory set aside for a recreation hall. Here the men have a platform where regular fights and boxing exhibitions are held. As we mounted the stairs the voices of men, singing Christmas carols reached us, in practice, the Warden said, for the services to be held the following Sunday at the prison when Reverend Harvey of the Federated Church of Reno would officiate.

The auto plate factory on the lower floor has just completed the manufacturing of Nevada State license plates for the new year, an industry which makes the place hum with activity during operation.

Out into the yard again, this time to see the library which was well filled with book-minded prisoners. This library, run similarly to any public library, is a favorite spot with nearly all. Warden Lewis is negotiating at present for a teacher who will tutor the men along various lines of higher education.

Then out of the yard, through a locked iron gate to the dreaded lethal gas chamber, where to date six men have met death via Nevada's merciful method. Warden Lewis said we might sit in the famous death chair—if we liked! But none of us cared to—it seemed too much of a mockery. And there in that stilly, chill cement chamber of sterility, Governor Kirman, his kindly face ashen white, his quiet voice low, laid his hand on the Warden's shoulder—"My earnest prayer, Warden, day and night, is that no man ever give up his life during my term of office!" And he truly meant it. The intricacies of operation were explained to us in detail, and we

Will Cut Fancy Figures in Olympics



Three of the outstanding candidates for the United States Olympic figure skating team are pictured at the Ice club at Madison Square Garden, New York, where they were keeping in top form. They are Katherine Durbrow of St. Louis, Ardelie Kloss and Audrey Peppe of New York.

passed on outside, glad to be away from the depressing atmosphere and able to breathe again the keen, tingling air of the snow capped mountains.

We waved to the ever watchful sentries high in their cupola towers and watched the men line up to be counted in for four o'clock mess. Old men, young men, tall men, short men, educated and ignorant, a motley crowd, all dressed alike, and nearly all ordinary, likeable fellows at heart, according to the Warden.

Next we visited the famous prison caves where the footprints of prehistoric monsters, supposedly some five hundred million years ago, were left in the soft mud which has since become hard as iron. Scientists have diagnosed them as those of the giant sloth, a huge creature who then roamed the earth. On out into the large courtyard where the footprints of millions of strange birds and wild horses who formerly frequented these parts are still visible.

Here in this yard, surrounded by high rock walls and barbed wire fences, the prisoners in the summer time hold a baseball game each Sunday, the public in their cars being allowed to watch from the high fields above. No prisoners except those in actual play are allowed into the enclosure however, making escape practically impossible.

A peek into the machine repair shop with its forge and modern equipment about wound up our visit.

Back in the main office again Governor Kirman made me a present of three very lovely, hand embroidered, tatted handkerchiefs, made by the women prisoners, as souvenirs of my visit, along with several issues of the "Rainbow," new prison publication that is different, for which Warden Lewis is also responsible. I shall cherish them.

Warden Lewis assured us that visitors are always welcome, cordially invited us back to dinner and a ball game next summer and escorted us out to the Governor's car.

And all the way home my only thought was, that if every state in the Union would only pass an irrevocable law, that the verdict "Life Imprisonment" would mean just that, and not a mere 12 or 15 years, then lethal gas chambers, scaffolds and electric chairs could be outlawed forever—relegated to the past along with bustles, and hoopskirts, and burning at the stake.

When Lloyd C. Shank Jr. of Carnelian Bay purchased a car, in running order, for the large sum of \$100 (so 'tis said) he certainly got a bargain. But it failed, on its maiden voyage, to arrive home, for as young Shank neared the highway crew working on the roads near Carnelian Bay, in company with George Frey an elderly caretaker, he suddenly lost control of the car which zig-zagged several times across the road striking several wheelbarrows and finally plunging into a tree as workmen nimbly climbed trees or sidestepped out of its path.

From out of the total wreckage they rescued Mr. Frey, suffering from shock and a broken leg, rushing the 71 year old man to the Hobart Mills Hospital for treatment from where he was later taken to a Reno hospital.

Miss Sue Hinkle is home for the holidays from Mills College, as is also Miss Kathleen Anderson from Sacramento Junior College.

The closing of the elementary school at Tahoe was observed by a program and luncheon of unusual merit, attended by close to 100 persons. Luncheon of tasty salad, sandwiches fancy cakes and coffee preceded the exercises which started at 2 P. M. High lights of the afternoon included the opening poem by wee Earl Nelson of Brockway; the singing of Xmas carols by the entire assembly; a playlet depicting the first Xmas with the three wise men and the shepherds and Miss

Mary Jane Soll as the announcing angel and Miss Jeanette Hume as Mary; Miss Helen Worden in the recitation of the "Night Before Xmas" a skit where in Stewart Pyle, as Santa, inspects his store room of toys before Xmas arrives, the children taking the parts of talking, dolls, rocking horses, elephants, a big bad wolf, a big iron train; and a living Xmas tree composed of children, each of whom recites in turn. The program, which received the hearty applause of the audience, was concluded with community carol singing.

Among out of town guests were Mrs. G. S. Fisher, Mrs. Earl Nelson, Mrs. I. J. Martinson, Mrs. Harry Bohme and Mrs. George Hume, all of Carnelian Bay and Brockway, Mrs. Annie Soll of Pine Lodge and Mrs. Minnie Pomin of Idlewild. Immediately following the entertainment following the entertainment in the assembly hall, the crowd moved into the elementary class room where a beautifully decorated tree was surrounded with brightly wrapped gifts. Charlie Mawdsley made a jolly, though somewhat perspiring Santa Claus, distributing the packages to an elated crowd of youngsters. Mrs. Stella Watson bestowed a bright red stocking full of candies to all the children and others who donated candy, nuts and fruit were Tahoe Mercantile Company, Atherton's Grocery and Mrs. Frank Armstrong. The last chapter was written for the day when Mrs. Myrtle Gallinger surrounded by her joyous little charges opened up the numerous gifts they had brought to her and piled high upon her desk. The grammar grades will now enjoy a three month's vacation of winter sports.

The high school classes enjoyed a skating party on Friday afternoon after which they returned to the school at 3 o'clock to distribute their gifts from the Xmas tree and enjoy refreshments.

Mrs. Minnie Pomin and Mrs. Northie Pomin were recent visitors in Marysville where they visited at the home of the former's daughter Mrs. Vivian Irvine.

Ray Nelson of Brockway is working in Carson while awaiting a call from the United States Navy Department, which he will join in the capacity of seaman in San Francisco when called.

Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Martinson of Brockway have just recently returned from an extended motor tour of southern California where they visited relatives and friends.

James Nelson of San Francisco, father of Earl Nelson, is spending the winter at the home of his son at Brockway.

Mrs. Henry Soll and daughter Mary Jane motored to Sacramento on Sunday to visit her daughter Agnes Soll, returning home on Monday.

Dean Hull has been visiting in Sacramento with relatives and friends for the past two weeks returned to Tahoe on Monday.

A large crew of local men have been employed on the roads north of town where widening of dangerous curves, surfacing of highways and installation of culverts has been in progress for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ferguson and their little son of the Sunnyside district are visiting in Sacramento for several days this week.

Mrs. Mildred Mawdsley has returned to Tahoe once more with her nephew Milton Jacobs from a trip to the bay cities.

Mrs. Ann Anderson is enjoying a visit in the bay cities of several weeks.

Mrs. V. Woodhouse and two children Dave and Doris of San Francisco are enjoying a two week's vacation of Tahoe winter sports. They are occupying the cottage on the V. S. McClatchey estate in the Sunnyside district.

Frank Armstrong returned on Mon-

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Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Mayfield departed from Tahoe on Monday for Los Angeles where they will spend Xmas and visit indefinitely.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lewis of the Fish Hatchery returned on Thursday from the Fish and Game convention held in Sacramento, departing again Saturday for the Mojave Desert country where they will visit and spend Xmas with their sons and friends.

Al Fanger motored up from his Sacramento home last week end to visit his summer cottage near Pomin's.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stevens returned to Tahoe on Friday following a motor vacation trip of several weeks to the bay cities.

Mrs. Adelia Ames of Newcastle is spending the Xmas holidays at the home of the Charles Swansons in the Sunnyside District.

James Worden, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Worden was the victim of a bad fall on Friday afternoon during the skating party given by members of the high school group on the Truckee River ice pond. He fell on the ice striking the side of his temple, receiving a bad bruise, the shock knocking him out entirely for several minutes. He was taken to the school building where he rested on a couch and was given first aid until the arrival of his father who took him immediately to Hobart Mills Hospital. Here Dr. Schwing examining him for possible skull fracture, which, fortunately did not exist and ordered him home to bed for several days rest.

HOBART MILLS

The Hobart Mills Hall was crowded on Friday evening when the school children gave a Christmas program under the direction of their teachers Mrs. Irma Atkins and Mrs. Jessie McGinnis. All the children took part and a one act play entitled "The True Christmas Spirit" was well presented. Numerous recitations and Christmas songs completed the program which everyone enjoyed. Following the program the members of the Parent Teachers Association disposed of the hope chest and its contents. Mrs. P. W. Lester was the winner of the chest and the following persons received articles in the chest: Lester Cummings, Pauline

Thomas, Mrs. Lester Cummings, Leroy Wilson, Mrs. Louise Percy, Bill Nay, E. K. Wilson, Mrs. Bath of Carson City, Ruth McLeod, A. P. Lettch of Truckee, Mrs. Harry Woods, Mrs. Atis, E. K. Wilson, T. K. Oliver, Erle Martin, G. Slover, Jim Fippin, Mrs. G. E. McLeod, Mrs. William Caples, Otto Kohler, Marguerite Souchereau and Mrs. George West. Those who were not present to get their awards may call at the Hobart Store.

Austin Claiborn has gone to San Francisco where he will spend the Christmas holidays with his wife.

Mr. and Mrs. John Casbohm left on Saturday morning for a weeks visit with relatives in Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Caples and son are spending the holidays with relatives at Sacramento and Elk Grove.

G. D. Oliver returned to his home at Berkeley on Friday afternoon after spending a week in town looking after business affairs.

James Canonic and family are spending the holiday vacation with relatives in Verdi and Reno.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hill and son took Clyde Cohonour to Porterville on Sunday and Mrs. Cohonour will return home for Christmas.

Don Comstock left for Walnut Grove on Saturday where his wife and son have been visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gates and son Jack accompanied by their daughter and son in law Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cuddleback of Sacramento spent Christmas with Mr. Gates mother at San Jose.

J. W. Thomas, the store manager spent Christmas at the home of his son William Thomas at Lodi.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Nelson have gone to Oakland where they will visit relatives and friends for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Craig and daughter Helen, accompanied by Mrs. Craig's father O. G. Nelson have gone to Auburn where they will spend Christmas with Mrs. Nelson and sons.

Oscar Olson has gone to Roseville where he will spend the holidays with his family.

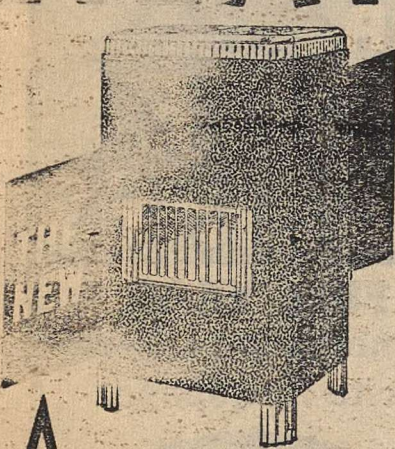
E. W. Canady left on Saturday for a few days visit in the valley.

William Nay is visiting at his home in Reno for the week.

Ken Whitehair is spending Christmas week with relatives in Reno.

Ralph Cardinal left on Saturday for a visit with relatives.

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CHAPTER 5

"Extra! Wilson Moll Escapes Prison!" shouted the diminutive newsboy as he thrust his head into the garage where Don and his new trigger-man, Spike, had their hang-out. "Extra! Read all about Mary Burns! Extra!"

Wilson bought a paper and read it avidly.

"How'd she do it?" demanded Spike, looking over his shoulder.

"What's the difference?" Don was enthusiastic. "She's out—there's all I care about. Poor kid, she's probably hungry and ducking her own shadow—going insane looking for me. I'd give a million dollars if I knew how to get to her."

"She sure had plenty of money, cracking out."

"Mary couldn't break out of a bird cage," answered Wilson, looking at him with withering contempt. "The escape's strictly a phoney. They framed it—for my benefit."

"You're crazy!" Spike couldn't believe it.

"Don't you get it? They let her out because they know nothing can keep us from each other. That's how they figure to catch me. But they won't," he laughed cruelly. "I'll beat them to the punch."

"Pest! Here she comes," Harper, the government agent, said these words as he ducked into a dingy hall bedroom where two other G-Men were sitting around a table littered with ear phones and dictaphone machines. Quickly they slipped on the phones and listened intently to a conversation which was taking place in another part of the cheap rooming house.

"Where have you been?" Goldie's voice came over the wires.

"I found a job in the kitchen of the Mercy Hospital," answered Mary excitedly as she closed the door and tossed her coat on the bed.

"I start work tonight—on the nine o'clock shift."

"You must be nuts," Goldie's voice was harsh and strident. "You'll be picked up before day light—"

"But we're broke and hungry. I had to take a chance, Goldie."

"There's only one thing you had to do, and you haven't done it," snapped the other hatefully.

"I told you again and again I didn't know where Wilson was!" Mary's voice rose defiantly. And if I did I wouldn't go to him if we starved!"

"Don't give me any of that con!" Goldie was furious. "Why do you think I let you make the break with me? It's time you did something for me now! Wilson's rolling in dough—big dough, and there's nobody he'd rather give it to than you."

"I'd rather die—"

"Well, I wouldn't! I'm through sneakin' along alleys—hiding in rat holes—eating thin garbage." With a gesture of disgust she swept the food which she had prepared for Mary and herself off the table.

"—When all the time we could be livin' like human beings!"

"You and all the law can't make a crook out of me," said Mary, lifting her chin bravely.

"You double-crossing little heel—after all I've done for you!" exploded Goldie. With vicious force she slapped Mary across the face, then stormed out of the room and down the hall.

Making sure that Mary was not following her, she walked quickly to the door of the G room. The officers had taken off their ear-phones by the time she arrived and were looking at each other with perplexity.

"You heard," Goldie said, after she had nodded to them familiarly. "What do you want me to do now?"

"I'm afraid in your zeal you've overplayed your part," answered Harper sternly. "You've probably made Burns suspicious." He thought for a moment, then continued slowly. "Since Burns will not go to Wilson at this time—we must make Wilson come to her — by tipping off the underworld that she is hiding in New York and waiting for him to contact her. Miss Gordon, this is an order. You are to plant this information in the right underground channels. Sooner or later it will reach Wilson." He paused again and looked at her steadily. "As an escaped convict, no one will suspect that you are working with us."

"I understand sir," answered Goldie humbly. "I'm willing to do anything to get my parole."

"My!—but you're jumpy!" exclaimed Jennie, a nurse at Mercy Hospital. As she entered the kitchen Mary Burns had started so violently that she had dropped a plate.

"You can clean that up later," the sour-faced old maid continued in a grating, harsh, nerve-jangling voice, as Mary bent down to pick up the pieces of crockery. "My patient wants some more of your coffee right away."

Mary poured a cup of her special brew from the steaming percolator and spread a napkin on a tray.

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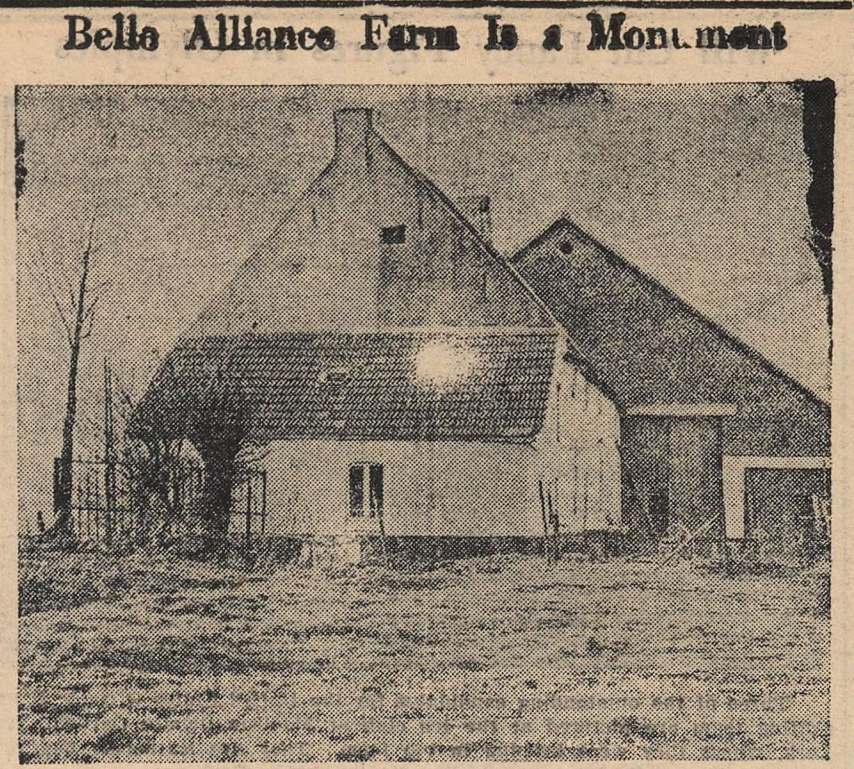
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"I'm expecting a phone call—from the boob in the hall. Could you take it up to him for me? Room 1422."

"I'd be glad to."

"Don't say anything to him. It makes him cranky. He just seems to hate the sound of women's voices," continued Jennie as she glanced at her wrist watch. "I think his operation left him a little peculiar."

Barton Powell, explorer and scientist, a man of about thirty-two, was sitting up in bed, smoking a pipe and listening to the radio when Mary entered 1422. His eyes were tightly bandaged but he sniffed the aroma of coffee and turned quickly, his hands groping toward the tray. Mary picked up the cup and placed it in his fingers.

"Smells like coffee! Looks like coffee—I hope," he mused. Then, taking a sip and sighing with satisfaction. "It is coffee." He took another sip and felt of the girl's hand. "You're not my nurse," he said. Then, when she did not answer, he demanded: "Who are you?"

"Your nurse told me not to talk—" explained Mary in a soft voice.

"Why?"

"She said," Mary answered reluctantly, "you didn't like the sound of women's voices."

Instead of being offended, Powell laughed merrily.

"She got it all wrong," he chuckled. "What I don't like—is the sound of her voice. It's not exactly soothing. Yours—is"

"More coffee?" Mary was embarrassed.

"If I ever get married, it'll be to a woman who makes coffee like this," answered Powell as he took another swallow.

Mary was momentarily startled, then burst out laughing.

"Why are you laughing?" he asked.

"I'm sorry. I laughed because I'm the woman who made the coffee."

"Are you? Well, you're the world's champion coffee maker and I'm the world's champion coffee drinker. How do you do? He extended a groping hand. "My name's Powell, Barton Powell."

"I know," Mary took his hand timidly. "Your nurse told me all about you—how you were an explorer, and how a gun burst in your face."

"What's your name?"

"M—Alice Brown," stammered Mary. "I work in the kitchen. I must go back. The superintendent wouldn't like my being here."

"Will you bring some more coffee later? I'll fix the superintendent."

"Yes, sir. If you want me to," she replied picking up the tray.

"You're a nice girl," smiled Powell, patting her hand.

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NORDEN NEWS

The John C. Lyons home on Norden Terrace was a scene of a happy family reunion last Sunday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Lyons and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Lyons of Sacramento, Mr. and Mrs. August Rutishauser of Kelseyville and Ernest VanderVolgen of Sacramento being in attendance. Many past happy times were recalled during the day.

The Sierra Club and Tourist Club lodges were well filled over the past week. Word has been received a capacity crowd is expected during Christmas week to New Years. More new snow is anticipated which will greatly add to the comfort and enjoyment of the members.

Miss Lucretia Antonicelli came up from San Francisco to spend Christmas with her parents at Norden.

"Norden's key man, Kenneth Lyons" has gone to Sacramento where he will be connected with the "Lyons-Darwin" Hardware firm during the Christmas rush. Several

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Joseph Casari and John Creasy plan to spend Christmas in Sacramento where reservations are made in advance for a turkey dinner.

Harry Williams the newly appointed secretary to the M. of W. Union spent last Saturday in San Francisco on business.

Walter Ferguson and Frank Frakes with Joseph Peters spent a day among their relatives and friends in Sacramento.

Many members of B & B 3 are spending the holidays in Ashland and Yreka and plan to return shortly after the first of the new year.

Alley Hoshaw and Carl Ohman are at their homes in Sacramento and Roseville over the holidays.

HOBART MILLS NEWS

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T. K. Oliver is spending Christmas week with his family in Berkeley.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Seibold and daughter Ruth went to Roseville on Sunday where they will spend a week with Mr. and Mrs. A. Schmidt and other friends.

Fred MacWilliams has gone to San Francisco where he will visit his mother over the Christmas holidays.

Monte Beaver accompanied by his wife and son and his brother left on Saturday for Portola, where they will spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Fred Otis who was operated upon at the Hobart Hospital for an exploded appendix is reported as doing nicely and has hopes of being able to return to his home for Christmas. Mr. Otis attends the Truckee High School.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Young left for Stockton on Tuesday where they will spend Christmas with relatives and visit the rest of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson and sons spent Christmas with Mr. Wilson's mother in Nevada City.

Supervisor Alex Robertson visited at Nevada City on Friday and took over some Christmas trees to some of his friends.

Steve Gadda is enjoying a weeks vacation with his family in Reno, and Karl Weeks is taking his place at the box factory.

Walter Viggers went to Sacramento one day during last week to get his daughter Paddy Mae, who has been visiting with her grandmother.

Jimmie Viggers was quite ill with tonsillitis for several days but hopes to be in fine shape for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cummings and family left on Friday evening for Stockton and Oakland where they will spend Christmas with relatives.

Samuel T. Myers has gone to San Francisco where he will spend Christmas with friends. E. K. Wilson is taking his place as night watchman.

Mrs. Jessie McGinnis has gone to Nevada City where she will spend Christmas with her husband.

Mrs. Irma Atkins left for her home in Nevada City on Saturday where she will spend the holidays at her home. Her brother Earl Hiscox came over for her.

Mrs. Don Fletcher and children and Mr. and Mrs. William Cross shopped in Reno on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Thibault and Mrs. Thibault's mother Mrs. Isabell Harry are week end visitors in San Francisco.

Jack Murray of Forbestown spent Christmas at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Murray.

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The subject of the Lesson Sermon will be "Christian Science." Included among the Scriptural selections will be: "And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the Lord. As for me, this is my covenant with them, saith the Lord; My spirit that is upon thee, and my words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy

mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the Lord, from henceforth and for ever" (Isa. 59: 20, 21).

The following passage from the Christian Science text book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, will also be included: "Science is an emanation of divine Mind, and is alone able to interpret God aright. It has a spiritual, and not a material origin. It is a divine utterance,—the Comforter which leadeth into all truth" (p. 127).

Origin and Meaning Of Names of Counties

The story of how California counties derived their names is an interesting part of the history of the Golden State. Believing that the thousands of tourists who annually motor over the state's great highway system would like to know how the counties they visit came by their names, Director of Public Works Earl Lee Kelly, at the request of Governor Frank F. Merriam has had prepared from state records a series of brief stories of the origin and meaning of the names of the counties of California including a few salient facts about each county. Following is the 19th installment of the series. Editor.

Tehama County—Created April 9, 1856. "Tehama" is the name of a tribe of Indians which originally inhabited that part of the State which now bears its name. The meaning of the word never has been definitely determined. Some authorities claim it means "high water."

Tehama in the northern section of

the great Sacramento Valley is a prosperous land of cattle and sheep, hay and grain and fruit. Of the County's total of 1,872,000 acres, farm lands cover approximately 1,200,000 acres.

While Spain was pioneering coastal California, hardy trappers, hunters and traders explored the Sacramento Valley and many of them settled in what now is Tehama. With forests and mountains on both the east and west and numerous streams, the soil of Tehama is exceptionally fertile and productive. The county, ranging in elevation from 200 to 8,000 feet, produces a wide variety of deciduous fruits, oranges and olives and a high quality mountain apple. About 2000 acres surrounding Corning are noted the world over for their production of the big black Sevilano olive.

Tehama is one of the foremost sheep and wool counties in the State. It boasts more than 150,000 head of sheep. Cattle, including about 5,500 milk cows, total 38,000. Grain and forage crops spread over 50,000 acres.

Hunting and fishing attract sportsmen from all parts of the State.

When mining was flourishing on all sides of Tehama in the early fifties, the town of Red Bluff was a community of 100 inhabitants surrounded by extensive stock ranges and farms. It was the head of navigation up the Sacramento river and thrived on trade with the mines. Today it is Tehama's county seat, prosperous and progressive and one of the best known cities in California. The town of Gerber, eight miles from Red Bluff, is a thriving railroad center and also has the largest alfalfa meal mill west of the Rockies. Los Molinos, Mantion, Paskenta, Tehama and Vina all add to the general prosperity of the county. Population 13,866. Area: 2925 Square miles.

Trinity County—Created February 18, 1850. This is one of the original twenty-seven counties. This county derived its name from Trinidad Bay, which was discovered and named by Captain Bruno Ezeta on June 11, 1775, a date that happened to be Trinity Sunday. The Spanish charts of the bay were misleading and Major Reading and others thought that the river he named Trinity entered into this bay.

High mountains, virgin forest, glacial canyons, emerald lakes, swift streams and incomparable scenery make up Trinity county, of which it has been said: "It is a moot point among those who have viewed the Swiss Alps, or the rug-

god splendor of the Riords of Norway, whether any more superb landscapes or glorious sunsets reflected from the snowclad mountains can be depicted than those in the Trinity Alps."

The land is so little touched by industrial development that it is almost a virgin country. Of the total of 1,981,440 acres, about 75 per cent is covered by the Trinity National Forest, while the Shasta National Forest takes in the extreme northeastern tip. Trinity once embraced Del Norte and Humboldt Counties. While trappers and hunters had penetrated a section of the county, it was gold that brought in settlers. They encountered many Indians, most of whom were friendly, but later clashes occurred which led up to the Bridge Gulch massacre on Hayford Creek in 1852. Trinity now is the greatest paradise for hunters and fishermen in the west.

Trinity has yielded millions in gold and today, because none of its streams empty into tributaries of navigable waters, hydraulic mining is permitted. Since 1849 farming and stock raising have been successful in favored districts, particularly Hayfork Valley.

Tucked away in the Trinity Alps is Weaverville, county seat, 50 miles from a railroad. Befitting its eighty years, the town of 500 inhabitants leads a peaceful existence. In 1850, the population numbered 3,000, half of which were Chinese. Here is an Ancient Chinese Joss House now maintained by seventeen surviving Chinamen. Its draperies and altar decorations were imported from China 75 years ago. Here, too, is the Trinity county courthouse, built in 1858. Population: 2809. Area: 3096 square miles.

Tulare County — Created April 20, 1852. Commandante Fages, while hunting for deserters in 1773, discovered a great lake surrounded by marshes and filled with rushes, which he named Los Tules (the tules, Scirpus lacustris). In 1813, Captain Moraga on his exploring expedition passed through the valley of this lake, and named it "valle de los tules" (valley of the tules), from which this county took its name.

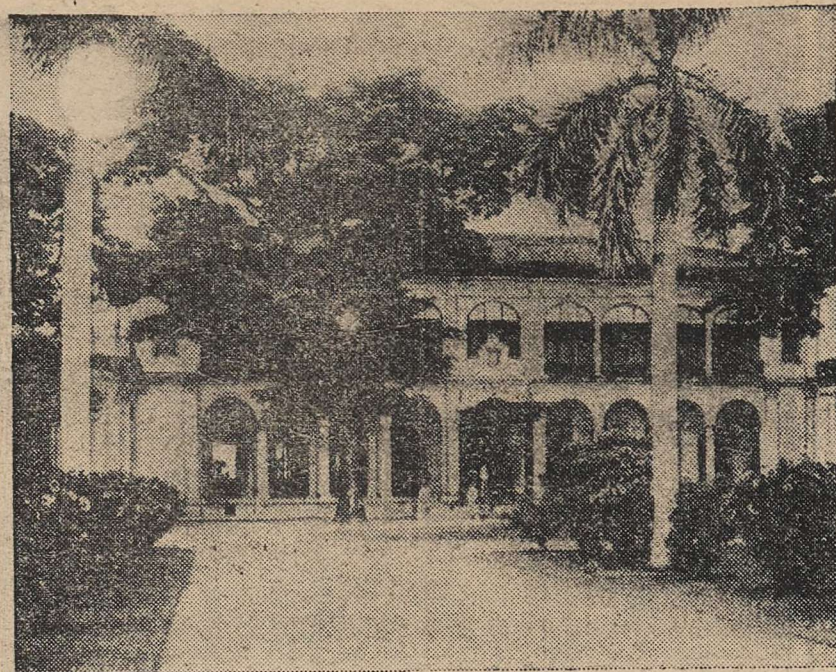
Home of the great Sequoia and General Grant national parks and Mount Whitney, whose summit is the highest point in the United States, Tulare is also noted as one of the wealthiest farming counties in the nation. Approximately 100,000 acres are planted to deciduous fruits and grape vines. Kaweah, Tule and Kern rivers and Deer Creek furnish abundant water for irrigation and have been harnessed for generation of electric power.

The raisin is Tulare's outstanding crop with peaches, olives, prunes, figs, plums, apricots and walnuts in the order named. About 1,193,000 acres are given over to farming, making Tulare rank sixth in the State. It is second in acreage irrigated.

Sequoia Park, or California Big Trees, attracts thousands of tourists. It covers 604 square miles and has twelve beautiful groves of redwoods, among which is the Giant Forest of 3200 acres containing 500,000 stately trees, 5000 of which measure more than ten feet in diameter. The General Grant, a giant sequoia in Fresno county, the oldest thing on earth. There is as much lumber in this tree as can be obtained from 20 acres of average California pine forest; enough to erect 40 five-room homes. A train of 30 cars would be required to transport the trunk alone.

From the top of Mount Whitney an awe-inspiring panorama of mountain peaks, the Devil's Amphitheater, redwood groves and Death Valley, 300 feet below sea level, is revealed.

White House of the Philippines



View of the Malacanang palace in Manila, which has become the executive mansion of the new commonwealth of the Philippines. Here it is that President Manuel Quezon, first president of the commonwealth, will study and settle all problems that will beset the new government. The palace was formerly occupied by Frank Murphy, the last governor general of the islands.



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Next: Tuolumne, Ventura, Yolo and Yuba.

MOTORISTS HAVE NEW FEE NAMES

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—California motorists will be confronted with a new set of names by which to identify the fees they pay during the forthcoming registration period.

Under a ruling of the department of motor vehicles there will be "registration number plates" covered by the usual registration fee. Then there will be the new state personal property tax on motor vehicles, in lieu of city and county levies, to be known as the "vehicle license fee."

Registration fees amount to \$3 on ordinary passenger cars, while the vehicle license fee is assessed at \$1.75 per \$100 valuation of the machines.

Ingels Would Finger Print All Automobile Operators

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—Fingerprinting of automobile drivers and charging for operators' licenses may be invoked in California if Ray Ingels, director of motor vehicles, is able to put into effect one of his plans.

Ingels believes motorists would have more respect for traffic laws if they had to pay \$1 every two years for operators' licenses. California is one of the few states that does not charge a fee for licenses.

Fingerprinting of operators would give the state a central system of identification in case of accidents.

STATE CO-OPERATES WITH AFRICA

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—California and the Union of South Africa are practically neighbors as far as their respective departments of agriculture are concerned.

Dr. Robert G. Nel, senior entomologist, Cape Town, recently conferred with California agricultural officials, particularly regarding control of storage pests in dried fruits.

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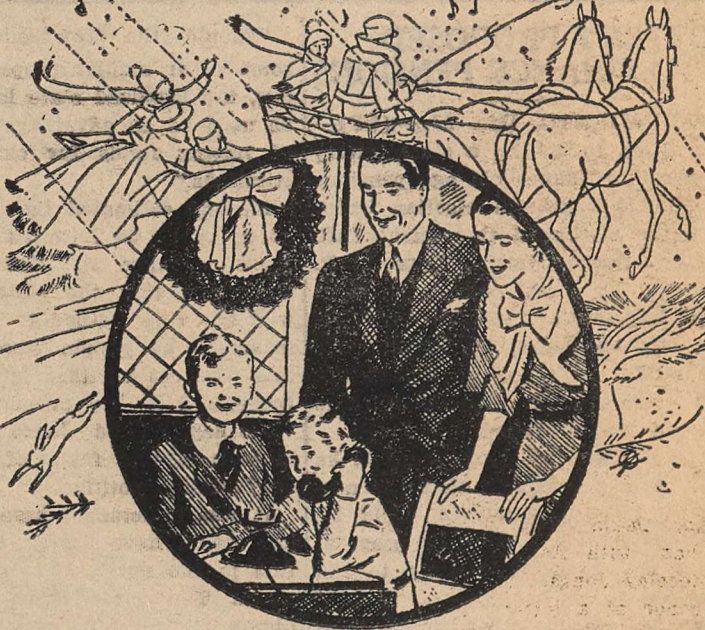
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City News in Brief

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Mrs. W. H. Laity and son Leland of Wells, Nevada are in San Francisco this week, where Leland is receiving treatment from Dr. Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown spent Christmas with relatives in San Jose.

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Miss Elsie Edmunds and Earl Edmunds of Sacramento and Miss Loyce Edmunds of San Francisco are spending the Christmas vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Edmunds.

E. J. Campbell, Sr., who was taken ill last week remains about the same. Bud Owens of the University of Nevada arrived home the first of the week to spend the holiday vacation at his home in town.

Miss Esther Abercrombie, home-making teacher at the high school, is spending the Christmas vacation at her home in Berkeley.

Mrs. Wilbur Maynard motored to Sacramento on Tuesday returning on Wednesday.

Miss Marion Lothrop is at her home in Sacramento for the Christmas holiday.

Miss Alene Parker is spending the Christmas vacation at her home in Escalon.

Miss Dorothy Flammer is spending the Christmas vacation at her home in Sacramento.

Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Guthridge of Oakland spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. Guthridge's mother, Mrs. Elvira Rossarini.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gilman of Lathrop are holiday guests at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Jack Wolert.

John Kinsey has returned from a several weeks visit in Des Moines, Iowa, his former home.

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Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Bernard were recent visitors in Lincoln.

Chamber of Commerce luncheon will be omitted on January 30th.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Driscoll and daughter Shelly of San Francisco are visiting with Mrs. Driscoll's mother, Mrs. Costa and Mrs. George Pace.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Rablin and three daughters of V. M. Rablin of Roseville are spending the Christmas holiday with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Bryant and two sons of Roseville spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Campbell, Jr.

Miss Amelia Zorich, a student at the University of Nevada, is spending the Christmas recess at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Zorich.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Cabona left on Saturday for Bakersfield where they will spend Christmas and New Years with Mr. Cabona's mother.

Arthur Chloupek is now employed as clerk in the First National Bank in Reno.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Tonini returned last week from San Luis Obispo where they have been visiting for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wilkie, Jr. motored to San Francisco last week to attend a housewarming party in the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Volmer in that city.

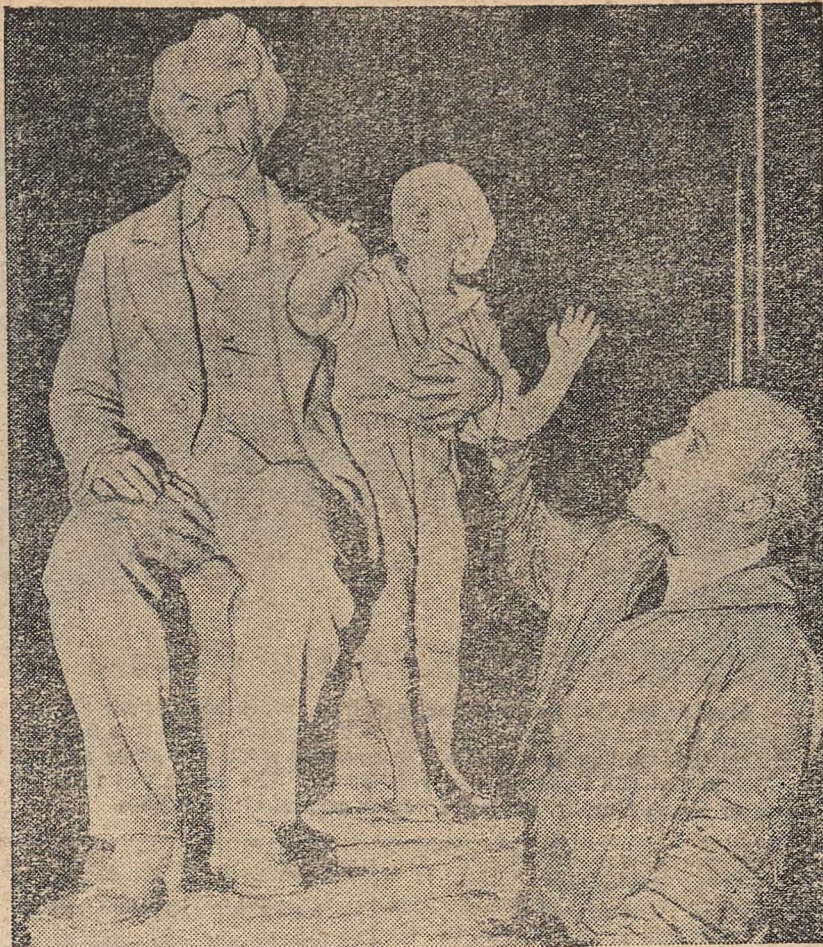
Miss Francis Filipic who is a student at a beauty school in San Francisco is home for the Christmas holidays.

Will Englehart, Jr. arrived home Friday from Los Angeles where he is attending art school for the Christmas vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Englehart motored to Sacramento to meet him.

Miss Rose Mattos and two classmates, Misses Carmen Cruz and Carmen Cisneros are spending their Christmas vacation with Miss Mattos' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Mattos.

Miss Dorothy McAdam who attends school in Sacramento is home for the Christmas recess.

Model of a Memorial to Mark Twain



Walter Russell, well known sculptor of New York, pictured with a model of the center portion of his Mark Twain memorial which is to be erected in Hannibal, Mo., the boyhood home of the creator of "Tom Sawyer" and "Huck Finn." The actual memorial itself will be 60 feet long and will contain 28 figures, all more than life size.

ination of scattered collecting agencies, advocates of the proposal argue.

Tower Bridge Painted Twice By Hand

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—Steel used in the construction of Tower bridge spanning the Sacramento river here was painted twice by hand in order to provide as many jobs as possible.

Construction officials said the steel could have been painted much more quickly and economically with a spray gun, but the federal government in allocating funds for the structure insisted the bridge be painted twice by hand to guarantee as many jobs as possible. Even the width of the brushes was restricted.

The final coat was applied with a spray gun.

Patrol Officers To Arrest Those Without Licenses

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—Highway officers have been ordered to round up California motorists found to be driving without licenses and lead them to the nearest magistrate.

The main object of the drive is to apprehend persons whose licenses were suspended or revoked, but the patrol also is interested in making certain that every automobile driver is licensed to operate a vehicle, according to Chief E. Raymond Cato.

LARGEST BORE TUNNEL AT YERBA BUENA

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—The largest bore tunnel in the world—that huge cut through Yerba Buena island to permit an uninterrupted flow of traffic over the San Francisco-Oakland Bay bridge—is nearing completion with workmen engaged in constructing the upper deck doorway which will accommodate six lanes of traffic.

They Seem to Be Due for Pensions

John Pezall, seventy-two, didn't want to go alone to the Sauk county, Wisconsin, old age pension office to apply for his pension, so he took his father, Adam, one hundred and one, right along with him, and they both applied at the same time. Here you see father and son as they pause for the camera-man, on their corn-field. Adam works shoulder to shoulder with his son eight hours daily on the farm.

Executive of the estate of J. M. McKelvey, also known as Jack McKelvey, deceased.

Hinsdale, Otis, Johnson and Hughs attorneys for said Executor. The first publication of this notice was made on the 26th day of December, 1935.

The tunnel is lined with reinforced concrete of a minimum thickness of four feet on its side walls and three feet over its crown, state highway engineers reported. It is 540 feet long, 76 feet wide and 58 feet high. Through it will run two decks of traffic, the lower deck accommodating three lanes of truck traffic and two tracks for interurban trains.

Penalty Severe For Reckless Drivers

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—Motorists who take chances while driving their cars, such as cutting in, speeding and hogging the highway, might be more careful if they realized fully the penalties to which they are subject, according to highway patrol officials.

Such activities come under the classification of reckless driving, it was pointed out. Drivers convicted of reckless driving may be punished under the present vehicle code by sentences of 90 days in jail or a fine of \$250, or both.

Where bodily injury results from reckless driving, convictions carry a jail term of six months or a fine of \$500, or both, if the maximum penalty is assessed.

State Ranks Second In Use Of Gasoline

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—California ranks sixth in population, but attracts her residents and tourists to be highways in such numbers that she is listed as second in the consumption of gasoline.

During the first six months of this year, 685,611,000 gallons of gasoline were consumed in California, compared with 675,626,000 gallons during the first six months of 1934. New York retained first place, using 723,640,000 gallons the first six months this year against 718,270,000 gallons the first half of 1934.

ICY WINDS CAUSE CABLES TO SHRINK

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—When icy winds swept down on San Francisco and caused the San Francisco-Oakland Bay bridge cables to shrink nine inches, a new note

was added to weather stories in the Bay area but no harm was done to the bridge.

Structural plans allow for a two-foot expansion and contraction of cables during high and low temperature, and the project is so immense that a change of two feet could not be observed except through delicate instruments.

Rural Districts Would Lack Representation

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—Rural communities would be deprived of representation if California adopted a one-house legislature, in the opinion of Ralph H. Taylor, executive secretary of the state agricultural council.

Population would be the sole basis of representation, under the plan, Taylor said. That would mean, he believed, that the three metropolitan counties, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Alameda, with nearly 500,000 more than half the state's population within their boundaries, would be in complete control of the law-making body.

Passage of legislation under that setup, according to Taylor.

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LOTTERY PROPOSED TO FINANCE PENSIONS

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—A petition to qualify a state lottery proposal to finance old age pensions on the 1936 general election ballot is to be circulated throughout California, Assemblyman Henry P. Meehan, Oakland, announced here.

Meehan, with Assemblyman William Moseley Jones, Montebello, was the author of a lottery bill at the last session of the legislature. The measure was defeated.

The Oakland assemblyman said he said he was confident that the necessary 136,378 signatures could be obtained so that the lottery proposal could be submitted directly to the people.

"It is obvious that some such system is needed inasmuch as counties have been unable to meet the maximum allowance to our needy aged of \$35 a month," Meehan said. "The average payment in many counties is as low as \$18 a month."

"Should the Townsend plan or some other similar proposal become law, the legalized state lottery could be used as an advantageous method of raising funds for our state institutions."

Meehan estimated that there were as many as 90 lotteries of various kinds running in San Francisco alone and that the state might as well use this method to raise funds inasmuch as people were going to take chances whether lotteries were recognized by law or not.

Meehan quoted Jones as saying he also was in favor of circulating an initiative petition.

It was understood here that Meehan would have charge of the petition in the north, and Jones in the south. The assemblymen hoped to obtain the aid of volunteer circulators inasmuch as it was Meehan's desire that every precaution be taken to prevent the development of a "racket" in the circulation of the petition.

"I am confident," he said, "the people will approve the proposal if given an opportunity to vote on it."

Suggest State Have A Department of Collections

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 26 —(UP)—California should have a department of collections to handle all incoming revenue derived from taxes, Finance Director Arlin E. Stockburger believes.

Under the present system, revenue collection is scattered among the board of equalization, the franchise tax commission, the railroad commission, secretary of state, department of finance and various "self supporting" state agencies. Separate audits must be maintained, and the department of finance is supposed to re-check the departmental audits.

Establishment of a department of collections would result in all taxes and fees being paid to a central point. Auditing would be simplified and economy would follow the elim-



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